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## **INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98 and to the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, the Examiner in charge of the above-identified application is requested to consider and make of record the references listed on the PTO SB/08(a) and PTO SB/08(b) form submitted herewith. A copy of the references listed on the PTO SB/08(a) and PTO SB/08(b) are enclosed.

Although the information submitted herewith may be "material" to the Examiner's consideration of the subject application, this submission is not intended to constitute an admission that such information is "prior art" as to the claimed invention.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(g), the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement shall not be construed to mean that a search has been made.

The following references are not in the English language:

- 1) JP 2003-037890
- 2) JP 2000-149700
- 3) JP 07-211937
- 4) WO 2005/107317
- 5) WO 2005/115047
- 6) WO 2005/107316

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7) JP 08-317029

References 1) - 7) include English language abstracts.

Reference 1) also includes a "concise explanation" under 37 CFR § 1.98(a)(3) as set forth in the specification.

Further, References 1) - 3) were cited in a search report by a foreign Patent Office in a patent application corresponding to the above-identified patent application. A copy of this search report, which indicates the degree of relevance found by the foreign office, is transmitted herewith. MPEP Section 609 IIIA(3), second paragraph.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed concurrently with the above-

referenced application.

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(7) References

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